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SUBJECT: NETHERLANDS STATEMENT ON LEBANON

1. MFA SPOKESMAN AT REGULAR TUESDAY WEEKLY MEETING WITH PRESS HAS SAID GON REJECTS ANY FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN LEBANON AS A THREAT TO PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE MIDDLE EAST. NETHERLANDS FEELS THAT LEBANON'S INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY MUST BE RESPECTED, AS MUST THE RIGHT OF THE VARIOUS COMMUNITIES TO LIVE THIER OWN LIVES.

2. SPOKESMAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE POSSIBILITY OF REMOVING DUTCH EMBASSY STAFF FROM LEBANON. MFA SOUCE HAS INDICATED TO US THAT VALUE OF MAINTAINING EMBASSY UNDER CURRENT CONDITIONS SEEMS INCREASINGLY DUBIOUS.

3. GON LINE ONME SEEMS IN FULL HARMONY WITH OURS.

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